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## MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

On Tuesday, June 28, 2011, a regular meeting of the Illinois Racing Board was held at 9:00 a.m. in room 9-040, 100 W. Randolph Street, Chicago, Illinois. The following Board members were present: Chairman Joseph Sinopoli, Commissioners Angelo Ciambrone, William Farley, Tim Martin, Jon Metcalf, Allan Monat, Michael Murphy (telephonic), Dr. Paul Smith and Robert Winchester. Staff members Marc Laino, Bob Lang, Mickey Ezzo and Jennifer LaDuke were also present.

# ORGANIZATION LICENSEE REQUESTS

Commissioner Smith moved to approve a request submitted by Maywood Park to approve Amy Narotsky as a Placing Judge. Chairman Sinopoli seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

Commissioner Smith moved to approve requests for the conduct of pari-mutuel wagering at the Brown County Fair in Mt. Sterling, Illinois, the Illinois State Fair in Springfield and the DuQuoin State Fair. Commissioner Winchester seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion by a vote of 8-1. Commissioner Metcalf voted against the motion. The Brown County Fair Association will conduct pari-mutuel wagering on August 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>, 2011. The Illinois Department of Agriculture will conduct six days of pari-mutuel wagering at the Illinois State Fair, August 12<sup>th</sup> through 18<sup>th</sup>, 2011 and three days at the DuQuoin State Fair, August 26<sup>th</sup> through August 28<sup>th</sup>, 2011. Charlyn Fargo appeared on behalf of the Illinois Department of Agriculture and the Brown County Fair Association. Duke Johnston appeared on behalf of Maywood Park.

Commissioner Martin moved to modify and approve a request submitted by Fairmount Park to vacate six live race programs from September 13<sup>th</sup> through September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2011. The last day of live racing is September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2011. Commissioner Monat seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion by a vote of 8-1. Commissioner Ciambrone voted against the motion. Fairmount Park originally proposed to vacate five Saturdays beginning July 30<sup>th</sup>, 2011 and six race programs from September 13<sup>th</sup> through September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2011. Lanny Brooks appeared on behalf of the Illinois HBPA.

Commissioner Ciambrone moved to approve a request submitted by Fairmount Park for the disbursement of \$74,000 from the Quarter Horse Purse Fund to be used for quarter horse races at Fairmount Park. Commissioner Monat seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

The request submitted by Balmoral Park and Maywood Park to initiate rulemaking to amend the Advance Deposit Wagering rule was withdrawn by the petitioners. The Board agreed to

consider this issue at a future Board meeting. John Johnston and Mike Belmonte appeared on behalf of Balmoral Park, Mike Campbell, ITHA, Tony Petrillo, Arlington Park, and Tim Carey, Hawthorne Race Course.

### **BOARD ITEMS**

Commissioner Monat moved to approve the change of ownership submitted by AmTote International, Inc. and XpressBet, LLC. Commissioner Martin seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote. Schedule to close on June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2011, all of MI Developments racing assets including AmTote and XpressBet will be transferred to a private company under the control of Frank and Belinda Stronach. The current officers and directors AmTote and XpressBet remain unchanged.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Martin moved to approve the minutes of the April 26, 2011 Board meeting. Commissioner Farley seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

At 10:50 a.m., Commissioner Metcalf motioned for adjournment. Commissioner Monat seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Marc Laino

**Executive Director**